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Wausa Public School students participating in the 2013-14 Financial Literacy Certification Test. Front Row, left to right: Kylie Wiegert, Hanna Knox, Sam Lange, Morgan Kumm, Lauryl Schumacher, and Leanna Rosberg. Middle Row, left to right: Devon Munter, Trevor McQuay, Hunter Vanness, Matt Koehler, and Christopher Kleinschmit. Back Row, left to right: Dillon Wamberg, Tanor McFarland, Kyle Petersen, Brandon Brazel, Spencer Rosberg, and Austin Conn.

WAUSA PUBLIC SCHOOL NAMED BLUE STAR SCHOOL

Wausa Public School has earned the designation of Blue Star School for their students' performance on the 2013-14 Financial Literacy Certification Test of W!se's (Working in Support of Education).

Wausa teacher Dawn Friedrich and her Personal Finance class comprised of 17 of the 23 seniors in 2013-14, received the recognition. Wausa has been in the W!se program since 2011 with 47 students participating over the years.

In receiving the award, a W!se official said: "We are truly proud of your students' accomplishments. We are equally proud of you and the teachers in your school who helped them become Certified Financially Literate™. Because of your dedicated and tireless commitment, you have given them vital knowledge about their personal finance. You have also provided them with the tools they need to become financially capable young adults."

To receive this award, a school testing 10 or more students must achieve a 75 percent passing rate on the W!se Financial Literacy Certification Test and have either a majority of students at a specific grade level tested or the students tested must earn an average score of 80 percent or higher.

Blue Star schools will be recognized at the annual MoneyPower Conference in New York City on Nov. 4. School representatives will receive the Blue Star Banner award.

Other Nebraska schools recognized for the Blue Star School Award included:
Arlington Public Schools
Chase County Schools
Fillmore Central High School
Lincoln Lutheran High School
Lincoln Northeast High School
Tri County High School